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## WOMEN ARE BETTER

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college revealed. Men,  
however, can sometimes  
prove so inflexible while  
negotiating that they  
alienate the other party  
and cause bad feelings  
which can wreck negotiations.



## KILLED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

ORANJESTAD—A fatal traffic accident took place about 4:05 a.m. Tuesday on the L.G. Smith Boulevard near the Tamarin Beach Hotel when two cars collided head-on. An American tourist, So-

fia Brio, 21, of Connecticut, died on the spot of injuries suffered in the accident. The victim's twin sister, Ofelia, also involved in the accident is in the intensive care of the Dr. Horacio Hospital. For reason

still unknown to the police, the victim's rented passenger car, in which she was riding with her sister and two boys, collided with another passenger car coming from the opposite direction.

## CURACAO LABOR UNIONS

## DEMONSTRATE AGAINST 15 PERCENT SALARY REDUCTION

WILLEMSTAD—About 3500 labor union members marched through the streets of Willemstad Tuesday afternoon in a protest demonstration to show discontent against the highly-controversial plan of the Neth. Antilles Central Government to impose a 15 percent salary cut on all workers in the territory. The manifestation was held despite the government's suspension by one month of implementation of the still to be passed law originally planned for July 1. Meanwhile in Aruba, against recommendations of the International Monetary Fund and almost every Aruba business enterprise, Deputy of Finance Milton Henriquez surprisingly announced tues-

day that the 15-percent salary reduction would be applicable for the private sector in Aruba as of August 1. Contrary to this announcement, only last week Deputy Henriquez announced that the proposed salary-cut was not to be applied for the islands private sector. Henriquez has even cited the official I.M.F. recommendation that the 15-percent reduction was not necessary in light of other, more normal measures recommended by the experts of the Fund. According to reports, the Aruba Chamber of Commerce, the Aruba Trade and Industry Association and the F.T.A. will take steps against the controversial and unpopular measure.

## WITHOUT PRICE REDUCTION SHUTDOWN OF SHELL REFINERY INEVITABLE

WILLEMSTAD—So long as the Shell Curacao does not get any assurance of a "drastic reduction" of the price of Venezuelan oil it does not make sense to continue discussions about the future of the refinery. This means that the emphasized parties part of the government in

the discussions will neither be effective. Without that price reduction the chances for Shell Curacao to continue in operation

will be very slim and apparently shut down will be inevitable", said Shell Curacao Ernst van Mourik-Broekman last week



## EDITOR'S CORNER

## TELL THE PEOPLE THE TRUTH

"you can fool some of the people some of the time but you can't fool all of the people all of the time". Those are the words of one of the most brilliant presidents in the history of the United States, Abraham Lincoln. Truth is conformity to fact or reality. But in the world of politics how often is the truth really told? In politics facts are often contorted to suit personal or party interests and the people are fed what the politicians would like them to believe. On October 31, 1984, when Lago president Mr. Antonio Cavallaro announced that Exxon would shut down the refinery on March 31, 1985, the people of Aruba were severely shocked. The Government too expressed its surprise about Exxon's abrupt decision; then it was generally believed that the Government was not aware that the refinery would indeed be closed. Numberless discussions were held, trips were made overseas, rumor followed rumor that certain groups are interested. However, day by day it appears that such rumors are based rather on wishful thinking and speculations than on fact. We are told that a certain group is interested in buying or continuing the operation of the refinery, but the name of the group is never mentioned. If a group is interested in the Lago refinery we don't see how it would be harmful in any way to mention the name of the group involved. By merely mentioning that a group is interested and then withholding its name gives the matter a cloak-and-dagger effect and only serves to accelerate the existing frustration and anxiety of the people in these difficult times. Adding to that frustration and anxiety, this week two members of the opposition who recently went to Holland with the Status Aparte delegation returned Aruba and told the press that the Minister for Antillean Affairs, Mr. Jan de Koning, said in the Dutch upper chamber of parliament that the Aruba Government knew for years that the Lago refinery would be shut down. Since the announcement was made in October the opposition in the Island Council mentioned that the government was quite aware of the fact that Exxon would close the refinery, but the accusation was always emphatically denied by the Executive Council. It is the opinion of many people on the island that although it could not be stopped, had the people been told in advance it would have served to cushion the shock and plans might have been made to diversify the economy of Aruba.

## SATURDAY MARKET ON PROMENADE

**SAN NICOLAS**—The reformed San Nicolas Promenade Committee (S.N.P.C.) announces that every Saturday afternoon from 3 to 8 p.m. there will be a public "flea" market on the promenade in San Nicolas. The market will have food, handicrafts, etc. etc. on sale and the merchants on the promenade

will display their goods outside for the public. There will also be musical entertainment provided by a different band every Saturday. It is also the intention of the committee to organize tourist tours to visit the market. The entire population of the island is invited to visit the market and enjoy Saturday evening in San Ni

## Village Talk



by WILLY

It look to Willy loik de number one song in Aruba dis year goin' be house for sale".

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A fella tell Willy dat now dey sayin' dat dey goin' cut he watta, but he say dat since February he ain't get no watta bill so how dey want he to pay??

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Well people could tink on tings. A fella tell Willy dat dey layin' off de teachers dem fo' spite becausin' dey does attack dem too much in Skol y Komunitat".

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A lady tell Willy dat she could nevah marry to a politishun. She say dat she gettin' sick ah de bla-bla-bla every day.

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A fella tell Willy dat he wondah how come it still got some sayin' dat Lago comin' back. He say dat dey believe in nanzi story

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A lady tell Willy dat she went St. Maarten to see ef

she could ah mek ouk up dere but she say when she hear how much fo' de house rent it nearly tek she breath. She say she had fly come back before she money done.

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A old timer who was livin' in one ah de guvment houses tell Willy dat jus when he was settin' down he had to move ouk becausin' dey raise de rent.

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A fella tell Willy dat since two weeks ago he win a pool from a young giol an up to now he ain't get he money. He say dat is de trick a lotta dem playin' dees days.

## ARUBA'S STANDARD OF LIVING MUST DROP 30 PERCENT

**ORANJESTAD**—According to the representatives of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) the standard of living in Aruba must be reduced to 30 percent. On a request from Aruba Holland asked the IMF for advice in connection with the current economic situation. Holland is willing to give aid to Aruba but insists on certain conditions to prevent the aid from becoming a permanent character. The IMF conditions indicate that the population of Aruba will have to contribute substantially said Betico Croes. However he did not say how that will be done. It means that the standard of living in Aruba will have to drop 30 percent. This will demand enormous sacrifices from everyone, because those of

us who will continue to live here don't want to see Aruba fall into an abyss", said Croes. He said further that the proposed measures will not be imposed abruptly in or

der to prevent a social imbalance. It was announced Monday afternoon that the Prime minister Maria Liberia Pieters has postponed the 15% salary cut until August 1.



**ORANJESTAD**—P.P.A. President Benny Nisbet left and Secretary Dolphy Jansen laid a wreath at the statue of Juancho Irausquin Thursday afternoon during a commemoration observance on the 23rd anniversary of the death of the founder of the P.P.A. party. The late Mr. Irausquin is credited to having been instrumental in the economic development of the island.



ORANJESTAD—A.V.P. Staten Member Mito Croes said earlier this week that the situation of Arubans who immigrated to Holland following the shut-down of the Lago refinery is "deplorable". Mr. Croes returned from Holland last week where he attended the Dutch Parliament debates on legislation for Aruba's coming separation from the Antilles constellation. He said the Aruba island

## MITO CROES SAYS: ARUBANS IN HOLLAND NEED HELP

government definitely has a job to do to help Arubans in Holland. He said that a great number of Arubans who had worked for the now defunct Lago refinery or its supplier companies are now walking around in Holland without a job and without guidance. "They are trying to get jobs, but most of them won't succeed", Croes said. He said the Aruba island government should coordinate with Dutch employment offices to help find jobs

for the Arubans. Mr. Croes said that most of the Arubans have a high level of education. "It is a brain drain from Aruba which Dutch Antilles Affairs minister Jan de Koning has warned can be damaging for the island", Croes said



On Saturday June 22, '85 the well known Mr. Emile Leonard Connor passed away after a long illness. Mr. Connor was born in Anguilla and came to Aruba in 1938 where he has lived ever since. Shortly after arriving here he began his pioneerink

work and established the Methodist Church on the island. He has been a Methodist local preacher for more than 50 years. Mr. Connor was best known for his church and community activities. In 1983 he was appointed a knight in the Order of Orange Nassau for his contributions to the Aruban community. Funeral services will be held for the late Mr. Connor on Friday June 28, 1985 at 4.00 pm at the Methodist Church in San Nicolas.

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New Appointment Caribbean Mercantile Bank N.V.

Caribbean Mercantile Bank N.V. is pleased to announce that Mr. Simon Ras has been recently appointed Manager of our San Nicolas Branch.

Mrs. Frida Martina who has been Manager at our San Nicolas Branch for the past 5 years has left our office on June 18, 1985 and will be moving to Curacao where she will be taking up a position with our parent Bank Maduro & Curiel's Bank N.V.

The Management



ORANJESTAD—The FALPA is currently holding an exposition in the Cas di Cultura. The exposition was opened on Friday and will close on Sunday, June 30. The exposition consists of hand made bedspreads, table cloths, towels, crochet, etc. etc. The exposition is open nightly from 6 to 10 p.m.

# CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ON THE BRINK OF COLLAPSING

ORANJESTAD—According to rumors circulating in Aruba this week, the Central Government headed by Prime Minister Maria Liberia-Peters, is on the brink of collapsing. Reportedly, the Democra-

tic Party of Curacao is not in agreement with the decision to introduce a 15 percent salary cut on the Shell employees. The situation in the Central Government is very tense and there are indica-

cations that the present cabinet is heading for a collapse. Other persistent rumors were that Mr. Bettico Croes was asked to advance the date of his return to Aruba in view of the approaching crisis in the Central Government. Mr. Croes was scheduled to return on Sunday.

## SALES AND MARKETING MEETING AT ARUBA CONCORDE HOTEL

ORANJESTAD—A Sales and marketing meeting of Concorde Hotels International is currently being held at the Aruba Concorde Hotel. Concorde hotel International is the company that manages the 14 Concorde Hotels in the region: Peru, Guatemala, Chile, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Colombia, Venezuela, Panama, Miami, Costa Rica, Santo Domingo, Curacao and Aruba. The meeting was opened by the vice-president of Concorde Hotels Internatio-

nal operations, Mr. David Botbol. During the meeting the planning and the strategy of the 1985/86 publicity campaign and the promotion system of promotion on the various markets with specials pac-

kages for the four Hotels in Margarita, Curacao, Santo Domingo and Aruba. Mr. Ramon Jimenez of the Executive Office of Concorde Hotels International will be in charge of the closing session of the meeting on June 30.

## The successful man

By Robert Louis Stevenson

*That man is a success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who looked for the best in others and gave the best he had.*

## AUTOMATIC COURSE FOR LIBRARIANS

ORANJESTAD—Librarians of the Aruba Public Library will attend a course in automatization and computerization at the University of the Antilles in Curacao. Coordinator of this special course is Drs. H. Opdam of the IA. The Antillean Pu-

blic Library Association has procured for the financing of the participants. After the course the annual meeting of the APLA will take place. For more information call Mrs. Croes on phone 21580/21540 at the Aruba Public Library.

## OBITUARY

Mr. Emile Leonard Connor, a well-known resident of San Nicolas, passed away on June 22 at the age of 74. Mr. Connor, a native of Anguilla, came to Aruba in 1938, and shortly after his arrival he became a lay preacher in the Methodist Church in San Nicolas and has always been active in the

social affairs of the church and the community. He received a royal decoration as knight in the Order of Oranje Nassau. After working at Lago for 23 years, Mr. Connor worked 17 years at the Bouwmaatschappij Aruba. The local extends its condolence to the relatives of the deceased.

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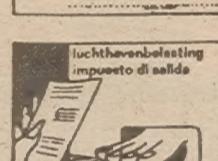
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ORANJESTAD—Dr. Leonard Berlinski, leader of Aruba's P.D.A. party, returned this week from a

## P.D.A LEADER MADE VALUABLE CONTACTS IN WASHINGTON

whirl-wind visit to Washington D.C. Dr. Berlinski said in a press conference Monday night that he has established numerous contacts in the U.S.A. capital which he hopes

the Aruba island government will "follow up in Aruba's interest". Dr. Berlinski said he met with officials of the National Endowment for Democracy to seek assistance for educational purposes for Aruba. He said he also met with officials of the Institute of International Affairs of both the Republican and Democratic parties, the Center for International Private Enterprise, the Agency for International Development and the Caribbean Desk of the U.S. State Department. He said he will soon offer information regarding his U.S. meetings to the Aruba island and other political parties. He added that he hopes the

island government will follow up on the contact he has established "and not ignore them as it did

with the promising economic contacts P.D.A. established recently in Colombia".

### DRILL DEMONSTRATION

By the Boys and Girls Brigade

This Saturday June 29, the boys and girls Brigade will be having a drill demonstration at the Wilhelminastadion, Oranjestad beginning at 8 p.m. Entrance fee is f.2. The purpose of this activity is to aid the Boys brigade in sending a number of brigade members to St. Lucia to partake in activities, which will be very beneficial for the advancement of the Brigade. Don

't miss this tremendous show. You will see a complete drill performance by the Brigade, accompanied by their drumband which will also put on a show in the form of professional figure-marching. So come and see the boys and girls perform, and do support the youth. We are counting on you. Your presence will be appreciated.

## MINIATURE GOLF COURSE OPENED SUNDAY

ORANJESTAD—The island Golf Miniature golf Course was officially opened Sunday afternoon. The recreation facility, very popular in the USA is something new for Aruba. Located in a pleasant setting just west of the Surf side Restaurant, the mid get Golf course is attractively designed and decorated with eye-catching

gadgets to enhance the enjoyment of the game, which according to indications will be fun galore for players from 6 to 60. Starting on July 1, the course will be open day and night, seven days a week. A fee of 3 guilders per game will be charged for adults and half price for children; there will also be available on the premises.

Proprietors of the miniature golf course are two American Ladies, Louise Rinaldi and Sandra Natrillo. The proprietors emphasized at the opening that besides being a tourist attraction the facilities are to provide recreation and fun for the entire population of the island.

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# BUSINESSMAN ON WAY TO OFFER SELF IN EXCHANGE FOR HOSTAGE OF PREGNANT WIFE

ATHENS, Greece (UPI) — A Greek-American businessman

said Monday he was traveling to Beirut to offer himself as

a hostage to Shiite Moslems in exchange for one of 40

Americans held captive in the Lebanese capital.

Petros Bratakos, a 44-year old retired computer executive who operates a restaurant in St. Louis, Missouri, said he wanted to exchange himself for Arthur Toga, a fellow citizen of St. Louis, whose wife is pregnant. He said he had never met Toga personally.

"My wife and 14-year old daughter were in tears when I left home, but this is some

thing I felt I had to do, even at the risk of my own life," said Bratakos, who arrived in Athens on Saturday.

"If I speak face-to-face with the Shiites in Beirut, they will see reason and then they will let this poor man go," he said.

Toga, a 33-year old researcher at Washington University in St. Louis, was together with his wife aboard the

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## Jackson ready to rush to Mid East if needed

WASHINGTON (UPI) — U.S. civil rights leader Jesse Jackson met today with the State Department's top anti-terrorist official and said he would rush to Lebanon and Syria if that would help free the U.S. hostages.

Jackson, who persuaded Syria President Hafez Assad to free captured U.S. airman Robert Goodman in January 1984, and who was instrumental in resolving other international flare-ups, met with the State Department's Robert Oakley to discuss the 40 hostages being held at Beirut, Lebanon.

American Shiite leaders from Dearborn, Michigan, accompanied Jackson at the meeting with Oakley, who is Director of the Department's "Office of Counterterrorism."

Jackson said he favors a "mutual release approach" in which the Americans—taken hostage in the June 14 hijacking of a T.W.A. jet by Shiites—would be freed along with about 700 of the Shiite prisoners held in Israel.

"The longer this matter goes on, the more difficult it is because people become locked into political positions," warned Jackson.

"We are now locked into a cycle of terror and pain with the cement getting hard as to who will move first," he said.

Asked if he would go to Lebanon to seek to arrange freedom for the 40 Americans, Jackson said, "If going would make a difference, I would go."

He said he has met Syria Ambassador Rafic Jouejati and sent messages to President Asaad "appealing to him to him to use his good offices to exert his considerable influence with the Shiites for release of the hostages.

"If visiting him would be a help, I would do that," Jackson said.

The 31 hostages "are having fun" eating the best Lebanese cuisine, swimming at the beach, and watching cowboy movies and films of villages bombarded by a U.S. warship,

an Amal official said today.

"I am sure when you meet them later on, after they are released, every one of them will have gained weight," Akef Haidar, a top lieutenant in the Amal leadership, informed reporters.

Haidar said 31 of the 40 Americans are being held in Beirut by Amal, Lebanon's

largest Moslem militia.

Six others are in the custody of the hijackers, believed to be members of Hezbollah, a pro-Iran group of Moslem extremists. The three-man crew of the T.W.A. Boeing 727 is under the control of Amal and the hijackers at Beirut International Airport, he said.

## They may escape prosecution

MIAMI, Florida (UPI) — Lawyers for three Cuban men who chartered a fishing boat at a Cuban resort island, threw the captain overboard and fled to the United States said yesterday the government apparently has decided not to prosecute.

Erick Salado, Luis Lopez Jr. and Alexander Calleja had their case delayed four months ago and did not appear before a Grand Jury as scheduled. They have not been notified of a new hearing date, their lawyer, Rebekah Poston said.

"I guess no news is good news," she said. "They have not resurrected it or anything of that sort, so I think it's going to die."

Assistant U.S. Attorney Joe McSorley refused to comment on whether the government had decided to drop the case.

Poston said the men had feared they would be indicted on charges of bringing stolen property into the United States by commandeering the Cuban boat.

Luis Lopez Sr., the father of Lopez Jr., stepfather of Salado and father-in-law of Calleja, confirmed that the family had not received any notice of further proceedings.

The men chartered the fishing boat for a family outing in July 1983 at Varadero Beach, a Cuban north coast resort. They were accompanied by Calleja's and Salado's wives along with the mother of Salado and Lopez.

When the boat was off a coastal key, Salado and Lopez pushed the captain overboard and crossed the Florida straits. The captain swam to safety on the key.

Poston said the men believed the investigation was sparked by an immigration agreement reached in December between the United States and Cuba. In January, Cuban President Fidel Castro cited the lack of prosecution of their case as an example of "irresponsibility" by the U.S. government.

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# Seven held in connection with attempt on Thatcher's life

LONDON, England (UPI) — Police held seven people today under Britain's anti-terrorism laws for questioning about last year's I.R.A. bomb attack on Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and a bomb found Sunday at a London hotel.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said five suspects were arrested by police in Strathclyde, Scotland, near Glasgow, and were being held there under the Prevention of Terrorism Act.

Two other suspects were arrested in London for questioning "on current matters," Scotland Yard said.

Police sources said anti-terrorist detectives wish to question the five held in Scotland about the I.R.A. bomb attack last October 12 at the Grand Hotel in Brighton, where Thatcher and her Cabinet were attending the annual Conservative Party Conference.

Five people were killed in that blast, and Thatcher and several of her senior Minis-

ters only narrowly escaped death. It was the most audacious plot against the British government since Guy Fawkes tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament in the 17th century.

The suspects will also be

questioned about a 5-pound (2.3 kg.) bomb defused Sunday at London's Rubens Hotel less than 100 yards (m.) from Buckingham Palace, as well as "other unspecified matters," the sources said.

Police said the bomb was

planted by the outlawed Irish Republican Army and the discovery "reduced the possibility" of an I.R.A. bomb campaign this summer to discourage vacationers coming to

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## NEW APPOINTMENT AT Y.M.C.A.

The YMCA of Aruba is pleased to announce that as of July 1, 1985 Mrs. Phyllis Stowe will assume the position of

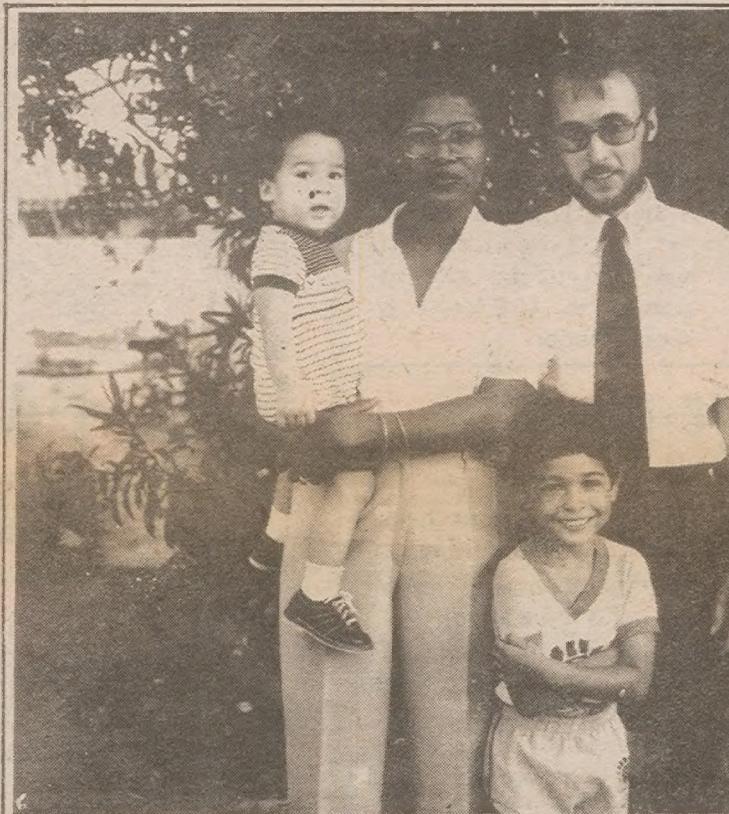
National General Secretary of the Aruba YMCA. Mrs. Stowe a graduate of George Williams College, U.S.A. holds a Bache-

lor's Degree in Psychology and a Bachelor's Degree in Applied Behavioral Science. On her return to Aruba in 1976, she worked as the Youth Director of San Nicolas YMCA Branch, and eventually



Jorge Guastavino

was appointed the Director of that YMCA. For last two years, Mrs. Stowe held the responsible position of Director of Stichting Casa Cuna Progreso Mr. Jorge Guastavino, who for the last eighteen (18) years held the position of National General Secretary of the YMCA of Aruba, will be assuming the full-time position as Caribbean Area Executive and coordinator of the leadership Development Program for the YMCA International. During the many years of his dedicated service, Mr. Guastavino has expanded the local YMCA services to cover a large area of our community. We hereby extend to Mr. Jorge Guastavino our heartfelt thanks for his service to our Community, and congratulation on his new job assignment. To Mrs. Phyllis Stowe, a sincere wish for much success in her new position.



Mrs. Phyllis Stowe (Aruba's new YMCA Director) with her family.

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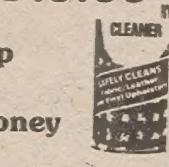
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When a drunk driver is jailed and his license taken away, he's placed in a court-approved treatment education program and allowed to keep his license a new study shows. In the study, the driving records of 3,143 drunk

has since returned to the United States.

Bratakos, a Greek-American with dual nationality, said he would travel to Beirut with his Greek passport. He said he

drivers were followed over five years—and those who'd been sent to jail had a significantly lower rate of committing their offense again than those who had opted for treatment and education, reports the U.S. Journal.

## 1.8 Million Unmarried Couples — 3 Times More Than in 1970

Unmarried couples living together represented 1 in 25 of all couples in 1983 compared with 1 in 85 couples in 1970. The total rose from 523,000 unmar-

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had met Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou as Secretary of the inter-American committee for democracy in Greece.

"This whole hostage affair has shown that governments can mishandle things when they get further involved," Bratakos said. "That is why I believe a face-to-face talk with these people may result in one and perhaps more hostages being released."

"I know I'm risking my life, but it must be worth it. I just know these people have genuine compassion, whatever they've done in the past," he said.

Bratakos, a tall, gray-haired moustachioed man, said he believed "circumstances" had in-

spired the Shiites to highjack the T.W.A. plane.

"A reasonable man does not become a highjacker for no reason. These men have a cause, and that's why U.S. government intervention will just make things worse."

"I think an approach by an ordinary, concerned and understanding citizen not directly in-



volved in their struggle, but willing to sit down and listen, may achieve a great deal," he said.

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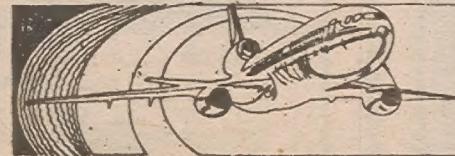
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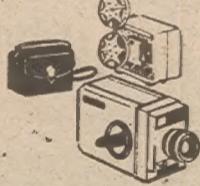
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## The top five disasters in aviation history

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—346 killed March 3, 1974 when a Turkish D.C.-10 jet crashed at Ermelonville near Paris in the worst single-plane disaster in aviation history.

—301 killed August 19, 1980, when a Saudi Arabian Lockheed L-1011 burned while parked on a runway at Riyadh Airport.

—273 killed—270 aboard plane, three men on the ground —May 25, 1979, when an American Airlines D.C.-10 jet-

liner lost one of its three engines and crashed after takeoff at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport in the worst disaster in U.S. history.

—269 people killed September 1, 1983, in downing of a New York-Seoul flight of Korean Air Lines 747 by Soviet fighter off Sakhalin Island; American victims include Representative Larry McDonald, Democrat, Georgia.

—257 killed November 28, 1979, when an Air New Zealand D.C.-10 jetliner on a sightseeing flight over the South Pole crashed into a 12,400-foot mountain in Antarctica, killing all aboard. It was the third fatal D.C.-10 crash in 1979.



KRALENDIJK—The foundation of the Flamingo Club is nearing completion. On June 1, the management of Dividivi Corporation, in the person of Mr. Walter Wiggins, assisted by the acting Lt. Governor of Bonaire, Mr. Avelino Cecilia, laid the first stone of the project of 40 rooms which will be incorporated in the Flamingo Beach Hotel. This section will be called the Flamingo Club. The job is progressing according to plan and there are indications that the project will be finished in December.

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very tough to be depressed when you are doing something you like to do."

Secondly, ice cream reminds you of happy times — birthday parties, visiting a park or a fair as a child, a pleasant day at a ballpark, etc.

What's more, buying an ice-cream cone forces you to get out of the house or office, and just getting out boosts your spirits, Dr. Koncsol said.

"And it's very difficult to

remain blue when you enter a store that sells ice cream," he pointed out. "All those flavors surround you, and the atmosphere is usually friendly."

Finally, Dr. Koncsol said, ice cream doesn't have any negative connotations like some other treats. For example, candy has guilt built into it because you know it can cause tooth decay.

"The social conditioning we have undergone in our lives has made ice cream a

much more positive treat or reward," he added.

Dr. Gary Emery, assistant clinical professor of psychology at UCLA and author of the book "Own Your Own Life," agreed:

"For normal, healthy people who aren't fighting a battle of the bulge, eating a small amount of ice cream is a very effective way to conquer those occasional periods of mild depression."

"Ice cream can do amazing things for your spirits."



## ELECTION IN DOMINICA ON JULY 1, 1985

it went almost unnoticed—the May 29 anniversary of a bloody protest which forced Dominica's Patrick John administration out of office six years ago. But not unexpectedly, with general elections around the corner, the successor government used the opportunity to warn that John and his associated political opponents cannot be trusted. The ex prime minister found himself on the defensive and complaining about deliberate distortion of the facts surrounding the incidents. The opposition party of Dominica (LPD of which John is now secretary), kept a low profile. John himself refused to comment on the anniversary, saying only that he was planning legal action against people who gave an inaccurate of the role he had played. But Prime Minister Eugenio Charles' Dominica Freedom Party (DFP) held a public meeting during which John and his supporters now campaigning for the election, came under fire. Speakers accused the LPD of planning to destroy the church and set up a communist regime should it win the elections. On May 29, 1979, soldiers opened fire on a crowd of more than 10,000 demonstrating outside government headquarters against two controversial bills. One man was killed and about 10 others wounded. Opponents said the proposed legislation was aimed at weakening the

trade union movement and the press, among the most vocal critics of John's policies. John, also under pressure at the time because of reported corruption, connections with racially divided South Africa, and with Barbadian gun-runner Sydney Burnett-Alleyne, accused of planning an invasion of Barbados, saw his administration collapse with a series of ministerial resignations as a nation-wide strike bit in. A broad-based interim government headed by John's Agriculture minister, Oliver Seraphin, was set up to run the island until general elections in 1980, when the DFP registered a landslide win. In an interview with CANA Home Affairs Minister Brian Alleyne recalled claims that John who will be a candidate in the forthcoming election, was involved in a plot by Burnett-Alleyne to overthrow the Barbados administration. He warned that returning John to power would cause the trouble which he had stirred up to surface, "if the people of Dominica are to make a mistake of bringing back the people of the past," he said. "not only would they be bringing back the local people, but the Sydney Burnett-Alleynes and the connections which they bring with it". Alleyne called John and the gun-runner, whom he described as close, "ants in the wood-work". The former Prime Minister was clearly disturbed by some of the comments about the role

he played in the last days of his beleaguered government. He said he would sue the state-run radio station over a programme called "24 Days", which focused on events leading to the political disturbances. The programme recalled the claims that John and senior members of his government had made about a South African connection in a plan to sell 45 square miles of land for establishment of a free zone. It also recounted reports that if the Barbados invasion plan had succeeded John would have been made Prime Minister of the neighbouring island. John accused of involvement in a plot to overthrow the DFP government, said the programme would shatter his chances of getting

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there was insufficient evidence and the Privy Council upholding of the government's appeal. The Dominica government apparently set the stage for the attack on John by reporting that Barbados had no plans to lift a '79 1979 entry ban slapped on the ex Prime Minister and two former ministers because of their alleged involvement in the invasion plot. "All ministers of government carry diplomatic passports and under international conventions are allowed to enter foreign countries unrestricted," he remarked.

ked. "Entry into foreign countries is particularly guaranteed where regional institutions operate". The government says the island has come a long way from what is called the days of police abuse of power. But the LPD has charged that the DFP government's record is not as good as the ministers claim. LPD officials claim that a special crack police unit was in place here to support the government - a claim rejected by Alleyne. DFP members claim that the defense force Miss Charles disbanded soon after she took office

had virtually been in John's pocket. The opposition has also complained of not being able to mount an effective public campaign against the government's policies because of new laws, including an act that gives the state wide powers to control subversive activities. But Alleyne said: "Any politician can attempt to go out and mobilise as many people as he wishes and no police action will be taken to prevent them". "If they were to get into subversive activities, then, naturally, the police would have to intervene".

## Air India had sought extra security for fatal Flight 182

OTTAWA, Canada (UPI) — Air India, which had requested additional security for its ill-fated flight 182, may have used inadequate methods to check baggage when the plane loaded passengers in Toronto and Montreal, Canadian government officials said Monday.

Officials also confirmed that equipment used to check baggage for flight 182 in Toronto broke down and the airline had to resort to handheld scanners to check about 25 percent of the luggage.

"Air India officials asked that security be beefed up specifically for flight 182 and had received additional police security to be deployed at the

check-in counter, baggage area and departure lounge at Mirabel Airport, (in Montreal)," Transport Minister Donald Mazankowski said in an interview.

Mazankowski said he was unaware why the extra security was requested. However, External Affairs officials in Canada have acknowledged that the airline received threats in the last two or three weeks.

In addition, the airline was believed to be concerned about Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's visit to the United States June 11 and the anniversary of the Army's raid on the Sikhs' Golden Temple in India's Punjab state.

"My understanding is that this particular flight was not categorized under an extra threat category," Mazankowski said.

Normal security procedures were in place at Toronto's Pearson International Airport. But an X-ray machine broke down after about three-quarters of the luggage had been processed.

"The rest of the baggage was screened with a handheld scanner," said Mazankowski, adding that officials are investigating whether that constituted "adequate security."

In Montreal, three pieces of luggage were held back from flight 182 because they lacked identification and looked suspicious.

According to Mazankowski, "under Transport Canada regulations, it would have been appropriate to remove all the luggage and do a search again."

However, he said Transport Canada officials were not made aware of the situation until the flight was in the air.

Canada has beefed up security on all international flights in the wake of the Air India crash and an explosion at Tokyo's International Airport that killed two baggage handlers who were unloading cargo from a Canadian Pacific Airways flight originating in Vancouver.

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Bogota radio station said the rebels kidnapped Samuel Schneider, 46, a Colombian

who is assistant production manager for the Ecopetrol oil refinery in Barrancabermeja, 250 kilometers (156 miles) northeast of Bogota.

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